

## **FISCAL NOTE**

### **SB 200 - HB 277**

February 7, 2007

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Increases penalty for assault against a sports official causing bodily injury or reasonable fear of bodily injury from a Class A misdemeanor to a Class E felony. Increases penalty for intentionally or knowingly causing extremely offensive or provocative physical contact with a sports official from a Class B to a Class A misdemeanor.

#### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**Increase State Expenditures - \$72,500 / Incarceration\***

**Increase Local Govt. Revenues – Not Significant**

**Increase Local Govt. Expenditures – Not Significant**

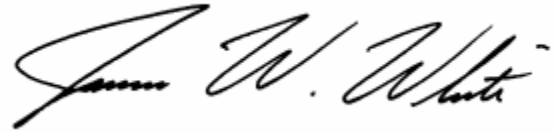
Assumptions:

- According to the U.S. Census Bureau, population growth in Tennessee has been 1.09 percent per year for the past 10 years.
- Ten persons will be convicted of a Class E felony for assault against a sports official in the first year that would have been convicted of a Class A misdemeanor. Population growth of 1.09 percent per year will result in one additional offender in the tenth year as a result of this bill. The maximum cost in the tenth year, as required by Tenn. Code Ann. § 9-4-210, is based on 11 offenders serving 0.3 years (109.58 days).
- According to the Department of Correction, the average operating cost per inmate per day for calendar year 2007 is \$60.16. The cost per inmate is \$6,592.33 (\$60.16 x 109.58 days). The total operating cost for 11 offenders is \$72,515.63 (\$6,592.33 x 11).
- There will not be a sufficient number of Class A misdemeanor convictions for local governments to experience any significant increase in revenues or expenditures.

*\*Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 9-4-210, requires that: For any law enacted after July 1, 1986, which results in a net increase in periods of imprisonment in state facilities, there shall be appropriated from recurring revenues the estimated operating cost of such law. The amount appropriated from recurring revenues shall be based upon the highest cost of the next 10 years.*

**CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James W. White". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "J" and "W".

James W. White, Executive Director